

Riverside Fire Department Newsletter Spring 2021

# **New Equipment**

#### **Medic**

Thanks to the citizens of Riverside, the fire department was able to order a new Horton medic unit! The medic is currently in production at this time. We expect it to be finished by mid-June 2021 and should be in service by July 2021.

#### **Stryker Power Cots**

In September 2020, the Riverside Fire Department was awarded a FEMA grant for three new Stryker power Cots and power load systems. The grant covered 90% of the cost for the cots and installation. It features a battery powered system that raises and lowers the cot's at a touch of a button. They will help the EMT with the lifting of the cot and patients from the ground to transport.

These state-of- the art cots have a pneumatically assisted backrest, to increase patient comfort. Includes fold down side rails to provide patients with a greater sense of security. Comes with duel wheel locks which keeps the cot in place and allows for safer patient transfers. It includes seven locking positions and a wider mattress to help in the comfort of the patient during transfer.

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### **Lucas Chest Compression System**

In the fall of 2020, the Riverside Fire Department was awarded an OHIO BWC grant for 3 Lucas Chest Compressors. The grant covered 75% of the cost for the compressors and battery packs. The LUCAS® Chest Compression System is designed to help improve outcomes of sudden cardiac arrest victims and improve operations for medical responders. Performing 102 compressions per minute with a depth of 2.1", LUCAS can be deployed quickly with minimal interruption to patient care. This is another life saving device that's in our Medics to serve our community.

# **FIRE AND EMS ACTIVITY FOR 2021**

During 2020 the Fire Department responded to **4628** emergency incidents. This number includes all incidents within the City of Riverside and all responses to other communities by Riverside apparatus. This is a slight decrease from the **4805** emergency incidents handled in 2019. On average the department responds to 12.59 calls per day.

Firefighters responded to 859 fire-related incidents, and 3769 EMS incidents.

## FIRE AND EMS ACTIVITY JAN - MAR 2021

During 2021, the Fire Department has responded to **1157** emergency incidents, during Jan-March 2021. Firefighters responded to **187** fire-related incidents, and **970** EMS incidents.

#### 2021 average call volume per day by Month – Average Staffing per month

Jan 2021	12.93	Jan	8.28
Feb 2021	12.85	Feb	8.06
March 2021	12.75	March	7.65

## **INCIDENTS BY TYPE JAN – MAR 2021**

Structure Fires	15
Trash / Brush / Grass Fires	2
Vehicle Fires	3
Auto Accidents	56
EMS Assists	914
Hazardous Conditions	22
Service Calls	31
Good Intent Calls	11
False Alarms	35
Misc. / Other Calls	33
Dispatched/Cancelled in Route	35